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SUBJECT: GATT COUNCIL, MARCH 14: UK/EC SAFEGUARD ACTION ON
KOREAN TV SETS

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REF: (A) SEOUL 1981 (B) STATE 36658

1. WE UNDERSTAND FROM REF (A) THAT KOREANS INTEND TO RAISE
SUBJECT ACTION UNDER "OTHER BUSINESS" AT MARCH 14 GATT
COUNCIL. AS MISSION AWARE, WE WOULD GREATLY PREFER THAT
KOREA TAKE LEAD ON THIS QUESTION TO MINIMIZE PROBAB EC-US
RECRIMINATIONS AND PREVENT EC CLAIM THAT ACTION WAS CONSEN-

SUAL.

2. IF SUBJECT IS RAISED BY KOREA OR ANOTHER DEL, U.S. REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD MAKE SUPPORTING STATEMENT, NOTING THAT WE OPPOSE SUCH SELECTIVE, NON-CONSENSUAL RESTRICTIONS AS A THREAT TO NON-DISCRIMINATORY TRADING SYSTEM, EXPRESSING CONCERN THAT THE EC HAS ATTEMPTED TO JUSTIFY THIS ACTION UNDER ARTICLE XIX, AND REGRETTING THAT THE NOTIFICATION CAN ONLY MAKE THE MTN SAFEGUARDS NEGOTIATIONS MORE DIFFICULT. IF EC POINTS TO U.S. ARTICLE XIX NOTIFICATIONS OF OUR FOOTWEAR AND TV OMA'S, U.S. REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD FOLLOW GUIDANCE IN PARA 2, REF. B.

3. IF KOREANS SHOULD CHANGE THEIR MINDS AND NO OTHER DEL (E.G. JAPAN) IS WILLING TO TAKE LEAD, U.S. REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD RAISE ISSUE HIMSELF, MAKING POINTS OUTLINED IN PARA 2 ABOVE.

4. FOR TOKYO: PLEASE ADVISE GOJ THAT WE BELIEVE IT IS IN THEIR INTEREST TO RAISE THIS MATTER IF KOREANS DO NOT DO SO IN VIEW OF JAPANESE CONCERN ABOUT PRINCIPLE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION. ISSUE SHOULD BE OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO GOJ WITH RESPECT TO THEIR POSITION IN SAFEGUARD NEGOTIATIONS. (FYI: MITI'S KURODA TOLD STR LAST WEEK THAT JAPANESE TENTATIVELY PLAN TO SUPPORT A KOREAN INITIATIVE BUT WERE UNDECIDED ABOUT RAISING ISSUE THEMSELVES.) VANCE
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